

## Chariton Courier

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The banks of this city took action on the question of opening and closing and appointed a committee to determine on a change. In another part of the paper appears a notice of the change. It has been a wonder among other bankers as well as among patrons of our banks that they have followed for so long the practice of butcher shops is opening before daylight and closing after dark. It would appear to us that for safety to the employees as well as the banks, to say nothing of the overstrain on the working force, regular banking hours should be observed. While this community has for a long time been accustomed to a different practice, it will soon adjust itself to the new arrangement and be perfectly satisfied with it. If we could change it we would not unless to make the opening a half hour later and the closing a half hour earlier.

### Hogs of Hog Island

Under the arrangement entered into for constructing the great shipyard at Hog Island, near Philadelphia, the Government furnished the capitol and certain men experienced in vessel building furnished the "know how" and an estimate of cost, which was placed at \$21,000,000.

If the rapidity and extent of the preparations made there for creating new shipyard facilities have excited amazement and admiration, it appears that the part played by private interests in the joint arrangement has been something different from what was expected. The accuracy and value of the expert cost estimate may be judged from the fact it is exceeded more than 100 per cent by the actual cost. Doubtless the "know how" can be depended on for large and speedy additions to our fleets in the future, but up to date results seem to have been chiefly confined to pulling down profit-making gains of startling amounts.

"You cannot keep a corporation alive on patriotism alone," remarked George Baldwin, one of the profiteering parties to the arrangement, when under inquiry by the Senate Commerce

Committee. Admitting that experience with the typical war contract corporation shows that a large element of truth underlies the observation, how great are the gains plus patriotism that can keep a corporation alive? Profits of something less than the \$6,000,000 which the private interests have made in a few months, without risking a dollar in capital and before a single ship has been built, ought to keep alive a corporation of the exalted patriotism of the American Internal Co., without resort to a pulmotor.

Hog Island must have been named with an appropriate sense of the developments in which it was to figure. The President's reference of the matter to the Department of Justice is reassuring in its suggestion of criminal proceedings proportioned to the scale of the robbery in the event that actionable irregularities are discovered. Such proceedings ought not to delay the ship program a moment and are needed for their lesson to others engaged in contract operations of enormous magnitude for the Government.

—Post Dispatch

### Mendon News Items

What will the weatherman have next on the program?

Mrs. John Hickey visited the latter part of last week with Mrs. W. Kitchen in Marceline.

Fred Wehrli made a business trip to Kansas City last Wednesday.

Mrs. George Engleman of Elmer is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Krieder.

Walter McNeill is visiting relatives in Columbus and Hamilton, Ill., this week.

The Sophomores of Mendon entertained the Juniors, Seniors and Freshmans with an ice cream and cake social last Wednesday evening. About fifty were present and all report a jolly good time. Rook and games were indulged in until a late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Thomas are entertaining a new boy which came to make his home with them the twelfth. The little lad was born at the home of his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Thomas of Brookfield and has been named Alvin Clifford.

Capt. L. Benecke is considerably improved this week tho his condition is considered critical yet.

### Eccles Echos

We guess the ground hog saw his shadow by the looks of the weather.

Charley Singleton purchased a cow from Joe Vitt Tuesday for \$90.

Will Kinzie had the misfortune to lose a horse Friday.

Mrs. J. V. Pointer and daughter Miss Sadie, and Miss Alice Ruffner spent Sunday with Jim Bennett and wife.

John Berry bought several head of calves from Scott Watson one day last week.

Joe Griffin and Mart Shoemaker made a business trip to Moberly Friday.

Geo. Schupback and family have moved to his fathers place. We welcome them.

Mrs. Charlie Bennett and father, Jim Cox went to Clifton Hill Thursday to visit Dr. Bratcher

and on to Huntsville to visit Ale Cox and family.

Mrs. J. V. Pointer purchased a cow from John Q. Perkins Monday.

Fritz Gerald has gone in partnership with Charlie Singleton in the merchandise business at Eccles.

Miss Clara Pointer and Rob Grotjan motored to her home at Eccles Sunday evening.

### Special Sweepstakes Prize Offer

The Missouri State Poultry Experiment Station offers the following sweepstakes prizes to all local poultry association throughout the state which hold either a regular poultry show or an exhibition of poultry in connection with the local fair:

\$3.00 first  
\$2.00 second  
Ribbon third, for best cock, cockerel, hen and pullet.  
\$2.00 for best turkey

## Elmore-Philpott Clo. Co.

Have New Spring Styles in  
Top Coats, Suits,  
Silk and Madras Shirts

And everything in Haberdashery, Traveling Bags  
and Suit Cases.

Come to See Us—When in Salisbury

\$2.00 for best waterfowl  
\$2.00 for best bantam. All varieties competing.

The State Poultry Board also offers to supply sitting of eggs to organized Junior Poultry Clubs of Missouri upon recommendation from the leader of said Clubs, without expense to the recipient, f. o. b., Mountain

Grove, Mo., provided the recipient exhibits one or more birds raised from the hatch, at some poultry show or fair in Missouri during the year.

For further information, write Missouri State Poultry Experiment Station, Mountain Grove, Mo.

# Public Sale Farm Property

Having sold our farm, we will sell at farm 2 miles west of Keytesville and 4 miles north of Dalton at Public Auction, to the highest and best bidder, on

## WEDNESDAY FEB. 27, 1918

Sale to begin at 10 a. m., the following:

### 38 LIVE STOCK 38

#### HORSES AND MULES

Span bay mares 8 years old, 2600 pounds  
Span mules  
Horse mule coming 4 years old  
Mare mule coming 3 years old  
Horse colt coming 1 year old—extra good  
Aged mare

#### HOGS

Three sows with pigs  
Two sows to have pigs soon  
One Duroc boar  
8 Shoats, weight about 80 pounds  
2 fat hogs

#### CATTLE

Milch cow 10 years old, a good one, part Jersey  
Heifer 2 years old, fresh in March  
Grade Short Horn cow with calf by side

#### CHICKENS

White Leghorns, full blood, 3 dozen  
Mixed chickens, 4 dozen  
White Rocks, full blood, 1 dozen

### FARMING IMPLEMENTS, ETC.

High-wheel farm wagon  
Low-wheel farm wagon  
Spring wagon  
Single buggy  
Driving cart  
John Deere 16-inch riding plow  
John Deere 16-inch walking plow  
Two-horse lister  
Perfection riding cultivator, 6-shovel  
International riding cultivator, 4-shovel  
Jenny Lind walking cultivator, 4-shovel  
Disc drill, 8-hoe  
Rock Island corn planter, bean attachment  
Champion mowing machine  
McCormick sulky hay rake, 12-foot  
Sweep hay rake, 4-wheel  
Smoothing harrow, 12-foot  
Hay rack  
Shoveling board  
3 feed troughs  
Some hog troughs, 1 a self-feeder

A number of doubletrees and singletrees  
Double hay fork  
Work bench with iron vise  
Some chicken hovers  
Some tankage  
2 stands of bees  
Post-hole digger and tile spade  
Two 18-inch pipe wrenches  
Log chain, 12-foot  
Some good seed corn  
Work harness, 3 sets  
Single harness, 1 set  
8 good collars  
4 leather halters  
Some empty fruit jars  
Lard press  
Sausage mill  
2 large kettles  
Half barrel vinegar  
Coal stove  
Wood stove

Terms made known on day of sale.  
Lunch on Grounds.

## ATTEBERY BROS.

Col. A. J. HOUSTON

Auctioneer

A. S. TAYLOR,

Clerk

## Take a Peep

at the  
New Spring  
Clothes



These early spring days, every live young fellow in town is thinking of new Spring Clothes: Most likely one of the new Hart Schaffner & Marx or Clothcraft Suits we are showing now—smart to the minute, **quality** that is hard indeed to match, and in such striking variety that we can fit out any man.

Every well dressed man in the county comes to us sooner or later for his Suits, Hats and Furnishings. If you do not, there is no time like the present.

## STAMPER BROS.

Salisbury, Mo.